

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of providing designer product planning information to a customer of a designer product manufacturer in order to customize designer products comprised of combinations of components and/or modules, the customer operating a client computer in communication with a computer network, the method comprising:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause a web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences;

receiving over the computer network from the client computer the designer product configuration preferences input by the customer;

retrieving drawing data, from a database of designer product drawings, for a drawing of a designer product corresponding to the configuration preferences input by the customer; and

transmitting computer executable instructions corresponding to the retrieved drawing data over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to display the drawing of

the designer product corresponding to the configuration preferences input by the customer.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the designer product is an office furniture system workstation.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences, further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input a preferred workstation configuration.

4. The method of claim 3, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences, further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input a preferred workstation size.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences, further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input a preferred workstation quantity.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences, further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input a preferred workstation orientation.

7. The method of claim 6, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input designer product configuration preferences, further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to prompt the customer to input at least one of fabric grade preferences, under-worktop storage component and/or module preferences, overhead storage component and/or module preferences, computer support component and/or module preferences, and series type preferences.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein transmitting computer executable instructions corresponding to the

retrieved drawing data over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to display the drawing of the designer product corresponding to the designer product preferences input by the customer further comprises:

transmitting computer executable instructions over the computer network to the client computer, which when executed on the client computer cause the web browser on the client computer to display a plurality of different downloadable file types, each corresponding to the designer product preferences input by the customer.

9. The method of claim 8, wherein the plurality of different file types include one or more of a three dimensional drawing file, a two dimensional drawing file, a CAD drawing, a GIZA drawing, a standard interface file, and a Bill of Materials file.

10. The method of claim 8, and further comprising: receiving over the computer network from the client computer a request to download one of the plurality of different file types corresponding to the designer product preferences input by the customer; and transmitting over the computer network to the client computer the requested one of the

plurality of different file types
corresponding to the designer product
preferences input by the customer.

11. The method of claim 1, and further comprising:
transmitting computer executable instructions
over the computer network to the client
computer, which when executed on the client
computer cause the web browser on the
client computer to query the user to
provide an input indicative of a desire to
order the designer product corresponding to
the designer product preferences input by
the customer; and
receiving over the computer network from the
client computer an order for the designer
product corresponding to the designer
product preferences input by the customer.